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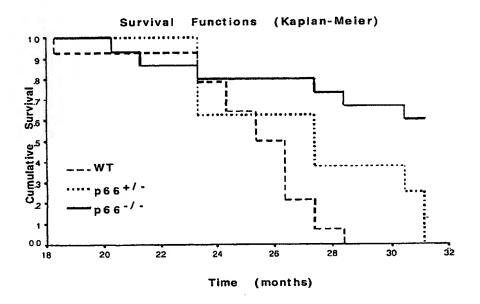
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(57) Abstract

It has been determined that i) p66shc is serine phosphorylated upon UV treatment or oxidative damage; ii) the serine-phosphorylation of p66 by oxidative signals is mediated by Erk1 and p38, as shown both in vivo and in vitro; iii) ablation of p66shc expression by homologous recombination enhances resistance to oxidative damage both in vitro and in vivo; iv) a serine-phosphorylation defective mutant of p66shc is unable to restore a normal stress response in p66shc targeted cells; v) mice carrying the p66shc targeted mutation have prolonged lifespan.